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Subject: MLPAComments: MLPA comments

As an avid local diver with an interest in sustainable ocean resources I would like to drop this note in support of the current "Package 2" proposal in the Monterey / Carmel and Yankee Point areas.

My interests and concerns are the complex habitats adjacent to deep water. Therefore, I would further like to underline my support for the protections in the Carmel Pinnacles area and even more emphatically those areas of Point Lobos and the Yankee Point Reef system.

These areas are rich in opportunities for propagation and shelter for ground fish and their related ecology. They include areas well past 30 fathoms. These areas are an intricate network of reef structures feed by deep water upwellings and capable of supporting a thriving cross section of fish beneficial to repopulating the entire greater Monterey Bay and therefore should be protected.

Thank you,

Kenneth Gwin